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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Attn: BOX AF

Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 7, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please carcel claims 20-28, 41, 42, 45-56, and 62-66, all without prejudice.

Please amended claim 57. The amended claim is provided below in clean form. Per 37

C.F.R. §1.121, the amended claim is also shown in Appendix A with notations to indicate changes made (for convenience, all pending claims, including those added hereby, are provided in Appendix A).